

VOLUME XXXIX. NO. 233. TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1897.

THE LIST.

MAGNIFICENT SHOWING MADE BY KANSAS CITY'S BANK CLEARINGS.

FIGURES BASED ON POPULATION.

MANY OTHER CITIES ARE LEFT FAR IN THE REAR.

Only New York and Boston lead in amount of Actual Per Capita Income—Chicago stands third below Kansas City.

Captain George R. Collins, a prominent local man, has prepared the following publication in The Journal, and figures will doubtless prove an agreeable surprise to many of the best informed business men of Kansas City, and will serve to convince the financial world of the city's commercial and industrial stability.

During these times of financial depression all over the United States, it is something of a comfort for the people of Kansas City to know that they are in the vanguard of the population of the different cities with

Table with 3 columns: City, Estimated Per Capita Income, and Actual Per Capita Income. Cities listed include New York, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, San Francisco, Cincinnati, Omaha, New Orleans, Minneapolis, Detroit, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Denver, and Buffalo.

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their bank clearings, Kansas City stands third among the entire list, thus proving that more business is done here every day in the week, in proportion to actual population, than in any city of the Union with the exceptions only of New York and Boston.

The following compilation is as complete as possible, based upon the estimated population of different cities compiled by the mayor of each city for January 1, 1897, and the bank clearings are for the past week.

Table with 3 columns: City, Estimated Per Capita Income, and Actual Per Capita Income. Cities listed include New York, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, San Francisco, Cincinnati, Omaha, New Orleans, Minneapolis, Detroit, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Denver, and Buffalo.

Thus it appears that enough business is done in Kansas City each week to average \$24 handled by each inhabitant of the city through the banks alone. This should be sufficient to prove to the business community as a place for investment, and as a safe location for any business enterprise.

As a matter of fact, Kansas City stands on a level with Kansas City, for the reason that the greater part of the business clearing made up of drafts drawn on those cities by parties desiring to pay bills and interest in Kansas City, and that a New York and Boston draft is always sent and these items pass through the clearing houses, thereby making Kansas City the center of business done in a fictitious manner.

Chicago stands three cities below Kansas City, and if the question of drafts could be eliminated from her figures, she would stand several degrees below Kansas City. The surplus of the table is the relative position of the rich city of Buffalo. The sixth in size in the United States, it stands at the bottom, and it appears that the Buffalo people are satisfied in doing business to the extent of the city's population. The remark is sometimes made that because Kansas City is an inland city, having no navigation, it cannot compete with cities that have navigation.

This table effectively disproves the assertion, for it proves beyond doubt that Kansas City does more business in proportion than any one of the great seaports, with the exception of New York and Boston. The fact that Kansas City is the center of a magnificent railway system is of far more value than being situated on a waterway for navigation. It is probable that upon completion of the new Kansas City, Pittsburg and Omaha line, the business of the city will show an increase above the present statistics.

It is impossible to make a grouping of cities, Eastern, Western or Central. Philadelphia and Chicago stand almost side by side, but several in business enterprise, far below Kansas City. The figures are practically the same. Cincinnati and New Orleans are close by, and take the extreme north and south. Minneapolis and New Orleans are almost the same.

HUNTER'S CASE NOT HOPELESS.

He May Get Some Democratic Votes if Bradley Breaks into the Fight.

Frankfort, Ky., March 29.—With seventy members, more than a majority of the general assembly, now voting or saying they are ready to vote against Hunter, the Republican nominee, he would seem to be defeated. But those seventy votes will not unite on any one man, and sixty-six are still clinging with tenacity to Hunter. This leaves the position of the Hunterites in the hands of the anti-Hunterites, who will some day begin voting for Bradley. When they do, the fight narrows down to these two, there are three or four silver Democrats now voting against Hunter, who say they will vote for Hunter, and make Hunter win in an exciting finish by one of two majority members.

A CLUE TO THE MYSTERY.

Remains Found in a Chicago Catch Basin Last Week Partially Identified.

Chicago, March 29.—The body of the unknown man found at Dunning a few days ago may be that of J. J. Barstow, a young mining student, who mysteriously disappeared two years ago. Barstow was an ardent bicyclist and his disappearance has long been a mystery. He was last seen in the summer of 1895, where he was employed by a local publishing house. The last heard of him was in July, 1895, when he was about to start on a bicycle trip to Grand Haven, Mich., where he had relatives. A prolonged search was made for him, but without result.

STABBING AFFRAY AT A DANCE.

Reub Fulkerson, a Nephew of Senator Cockrell, Badly Cut in Johnson County.

Warrensburg, Mo., March 29.—(Special.) News was brought to this city this morning of a serious stabbing affray which took place in Johnson county Saturday night. During the evening, a row took place in front of the house between some drunken youths. Reub Fulkerson, a nephew of Senator F. M. Cockrell, went out to quiet the trouble. He was badly cut in the arm and leg, and was taken to the hospital. The cause of the affray was a dispute over a dance.

FOR POSTOFFICE ROBBERY.

Four Prisoners Plead Guilty in Federal Court at Topeka and Are Sentenced.

Topeka, Kas., March 29.—(Special.) In the United States district court today four prisoners pleaded guilty to postoffice robbery and were sentenced to the penitentiary. The prisoners were James Adams, who robbed the Hays City office December 26, last, were sentenced to two years; George Gordon, who confessed to the Topeka postoffice robbery on the night of January 6, 1897, was sentenced to two and one-half years each.

KENTUCKY'S TURNPIKE WAR.

Four Carrard County Tollgates Destroyed—Mercer County Gates Are Threatened.

Lancaster, Ky., March 29.—A hundred masked men destroyed four tollgates in Carrard county last night. They threatened the directors and gatekeepers with death if any more toll was collected. Armed men were sent to the tollgates, but they were driven off. The tollgates were destroyed with dynamite and no toll is being collected.

Wrote His Own Death Notice.

Chicago, March 29.—This evening while a Chicago man was writing a letter to the Illinois Central Company was engaged in sweeping the steps, he found a card which read: "I have committed suicide and am dead. I am buried in the river near the Lake street bridge."

Federal Court at St. Joseph.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 29.—(Special.) The federal court was convened by Judge John F. Phillips this afternoon and the grand jury was sworn in. The court heard the case of Thomas Huyler, charged with obstructing justice. The case was postponed to next week.

New York Diamond Robbery.

New York, March 29.—The defective bureau of this city made public today the results of the investigation of the diamond robbery in New York. The robbery was committed by a man named "Harry" who was caught by the police. The diamonds were recovered.

An Austin, O. T. Robbery.

Perry, O. T., March 29.—(Special.) G. W. Mosser, deputy marshal, brings news of the robbery of a store belonging to M. B. Beebe, also the postoffice at Austin, in the Osage country. Over \$100 in gold and stamps was taken from the postoffice and a considerable quantity of goods from the store. The robbers fled in the creek country.

For Stealing Harness.

Fort Scott, Kas., March 29.—(Special.) John Reynolds, of Fulton, Kas., was convicted and sentenced to jail here today for stealing a harness. The harness was worth \$100 and was stolen from a harness store in Fort Scott.

Jury Out Ninety Hours.

Bloomington, Ill., March 29.—After being out ninety hours, the jury in the murder case of John McHenry, charged with killing John J. Bullock at Shirley, Ill., last May, reported being unable to agree and was discharged.

Kentucky Murderer Captured.

Mayville, Ky., March 29.—Amos Riggs, who murdered Young Boyd and killed near Mount Gleed last week, has been captured at the home of a relative in Pellety, O. He was heavily armed and offered no resistance.

GEN. GOMEZ' APPEAL.

WRITES A BLOOD-STIRRING LETTER TO PRESIDENT MCKINLEY.

INCLOSURES ANOTHER MISSIVE. A COPY OF A LETTER WRITTEN TO MR. GROVER CLEVELAND.

Original Either Went Astray or Was Suppressed—Letters Were Part of the Last Correspondence of a Newspaper Man Who Died in Cuba.

Havana, March 29.—According to private information received here from Santa Clara, Mr. C. E. Crosby, correspondent of the Chicago Record, was present at an engagement which took place recently at Arroyo Blanco, in the Sancti Spiritus district of the province of Santa Clara, between a Spanish force under Colonel Arjona and a body of insurgents commanded by General Maximiliano Gomez. Mr. Crosby was in the camp of the insurgents, from which place he was watching the fight through field glasses, when he was killed by a stray bullet fired from the Spanish ranks.

Nothing seems to be known of Mr. Crosby's death in official circles. Mr. Crosby was not an experienced newspaper man, but his energy supplied any lack on that score, and his correspondence, which was signed "Don Carlos," was of the best that came from the insurgent side. Crosby was of English birth. He was educated in France, and graduated from the celebrated military school of St. Cyr. He entered the French army and served in Algeria and elsewhere. Later on he became a civil engineer, and, as such, built a railroad in Mexico, in which country he resided for six or seven years. He then came to Cuba as correspondent for the Chicago Record last winter, and at once went through the lines and cast his fortunes with the insurgents, not as a combatant, but as a correspondent. He was strictly his work has been highly regarded.

Mr. Crosby's Last Correspondence.

Chicago, March 29.—The Record to-morrow will say: "Mr. C. E. Crosby, whose letters to the Record have appeared over the signature 'Don Carlos,' joined the army of General Gomez early in February, having made his way through the Spanish lines, after secretly communicating with the rebel forces from the province of Santa Clara and receiving from him an armed escort. He was present at a number of the recent engagements at which there was hard fighting. 'A letter from the Record's Havana correspondent, Crittenden Marriott, gives the substance of the correspondence. Crosby's correspondence has fallen into the hands of the Spaniards on its way through the lines, and the Spanish authorities have been trying to seize him, descriptions of his personal appearance being sent to the Record. He was killed in the line of duty. His last dispatch was received March 24, having been written in the camp of General Gomez, near Arroyo Blanco, where he is now reported to have been killed. 'So far as the Record is concerned, the important letter of General Maximiliano Gomez to President McKinley, published below, Mr. Crosby's copy of this letter reached the Record office yesterday, having come by mail, as it was the desire of the Cuban government that it should not be published before the original was in the hands of President McKinley. 'If Mr. Crosby has really paid with his life for his courage and enterprise, the readers of the Record gain from him, as an earnest of his ability as a correspondent, the knowledge of the remarkable letter which was sent by General Gomez to President Cleveland, and which either went astray or was suppressed, and which was sent to the Record by the hands of the Cuban government. 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